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PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 5,576,080

RELEVANCE

Discloses a polyethylenic foaming compositions and molded foams.

U.S. Patent No. 5,902,674

Discloses olefine thermoplastic elastomer sheet.

U.S. Patent No. 6,065,366

Discloses a steering wheel.

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PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. Re. 36,898

RELEVANCE

Discloses a cover for a vehicle air bag.

U.S. Patent No. 6,106,011

Discloses an air bag cover from hydrogenated block copolymer mixture and polyolefin.

U.S. Patent No. 6,216,556

Discloses a steering wheel.

U.S. Patent No. 6,164,691

Discloses a steering wheel.

U.S. Patent No. 4,917,944

Discloses a multi-ply weatherable plasticizer-free sheet.

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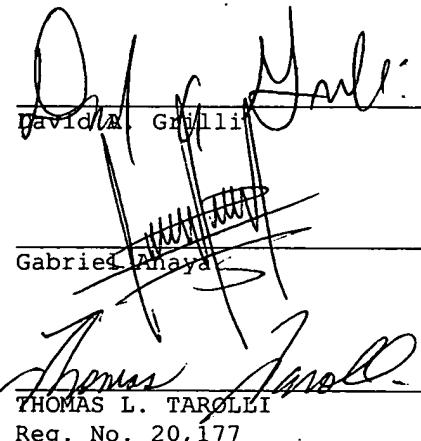
Discloses a padding element provided with gas filled cells for impact absorption.

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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General Information on Applications and Properties (Arnitel), pgs. 1-19.

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